Gauge conversion under NRDS in Rajasthan

1791. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
SHRI O.T. LEPCHA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal for gauge conversion in Rajasthan is going to be executed under National Rail Development Scheme;

(b) if so, the details of the proposal and by when it will be executed;

(c) whether Jaipur-Phulehra-Reengus-Rewari section which is quite sensitive and important is also going to be included in the scheme; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED) : (a) to (d) There is no such scheme as National Rail Development Scheme. However, gauge conversion of Bhildi-Samdari (223 kms) and Ajmer-Phulera-Ringus-Rewari (295 kms) sections are included in National Rail Vikas Yojana (NRVY). Gauge conversion of Phulera-Ringus-Rewari and Jaipur-Phulera has already been completed. The gauge conversion of Ajmer-Phulera and Bhildi-Samdari is targeted for completion during the current year.

Modernization of Tindharia workshop

†1792. SHRI SAMAN PATHAK: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of railway workshop situated at Tindharia;

(b) whether Government has any proposal for modernization of Tindharia workshop;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED) : (a) Tindharia workshop is presently engaged in Periodical over hauling (POH) of Narrow Gauge (NG) steam locos and NG coaches.

(b) to (d) A work of upgradation of some identified infrastructure of Tindharia workshop is in progress at an anticipated cost of Rs. 2.82 cr.

Survey work for new rail lines in Rajasthan

†1793. DR. PRABHA THAKUR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the proposals from Rajasthan included in survey work for the new rail lines in the rail budget of the year 2009-10; and

(b) the time frame set for completion of the survey work for the said new rail lines and the details thereof?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.